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Mr. Dean Gould Base Realignment and Closure **Environmental Coordinator** Southwest Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command

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FFA Schedule Extension Request for Sites 3 and 5, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Re: dated November 14, 2001

Dear Mr. Gould:

EPA has received your request for an extension to the FFA schedule for submittal of the draft final ROD for Sites 3 and 5. We understand that the delay is primarily due to additional time needed to complete the radiological survey.

The Navy is proposing to issue the draft final ROD for Sites 3 and 5 and the El Toro Draft Release Report for the radiological survey concurrently in order to expedite the remedy for Sites 3 and 5. Although we are in support of expediting remedial action at El Toro, depending on the complexity of the DRR and the number of changes in the draft final ROD, EPA may need to request additional review time beyond the suggested 30 days.

With above understanding, EPA grants the Navy's request for an extension to submit the Draft Final ROD for Sites 3 and 5 from November 14, 2001 to February 15, 2002.

If you have any questions, please call me at (415) 972-3012.

Sincerely,

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